

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

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In re ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC. : Civil Action
SECURITIES LITIGATION : No. 04-12375-JLT
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JOINT REQUEST FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL HEARING

The parties respectfully request that the Court schedule a preliminary hearing on the settlement of the above-captioned action as soon as practicable for the Court.

Dated: November 16, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

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